ARTS/SCEA CONSTITUTION May, 2000, Amended 2013

Constitution of the Arts Researchers and Teachers Society/Societé des chercheurs/chercheuses et des enseignants/enseignantes des arts: A Special Interest Group (SIG) within the Canadian Association for Curriculum Studies/Association canadienne pour l'étude du curriculum

1.0 Name

The name of the Special Interest Group shall be:

Arts Researchers and Teachers Society/Societé des chercheurs/chercheuses et des enseignants/enseignantes des arts

2.0 Purpose

- 2..1 to foster the exchange of ideas in arts research across Canada.
- 2.2 to provide a forum for discussion of arts curriculum in a Canadian context.
- 2.3 to encourage scholarly work in arts education
- 2.4 to bring together members of the arts disciplines who maintain a common interest in the general principles of curriculum theory and development

3.0 Organization

- 3.1 The ARTS/SCEA SIG shall hold an annual business meeting as part of the Canadian Association for Curriculum Studies component of the Canadian Society for the Study of Education/Societé candienne pour l'étude de l'éducation.
- 3.2 The SIG shall be carried on without purpose of gain for its members and any profits or other accretions to the SIG shall be used in promoting its objectives.
- 3.3 In the event of the dissolution of the SIG, all its remaining assets after payment of liabilities shall be distributed to a charitable organization recognized by the Department of National Revenue.

4.0 Membership

- 4.1 Members of the SIG are full members of the Canadian Society for the Study of Education/Societé candienne pour l'étude de l'éducation and the Canadian Association for Curriculum Studies/Association candienne pour l'étude du curriculum.
- 4.2 The amount of the annual dues shall be determined by the membership at the

annual business meeting and in accordance with the policies of CACS.

- 4.3 All members of the SIG in good standing shall have the privilege of:
 - Voting at the annual business meeting
 - Nominating members for office in the SIG
 - Standing for office in the SIG
 - Benefiting from the services of the SIG
- 4.4 Membership in the SIG shall be in accordance with CSSE regulations.

5.0 Executive Officers of the ARTS/SCEA SIG

- 5.1 The Executive Officers of the SIG shall be:
 - President
 - Vice-President and Programme Chair
 - Past-President
- 5.2 The term of officers of the SIG shall be for two years renewable.
- 5.3 Upon the retirement of the President, the Vice-President will assume the presidency for the upcoming two-year term and the President will assume the role of Past-President.
- 5.4 In the event of an officer of the SIG resigning her/his position, the President is empowered to appoint a substitute until the next general meeting. At that time, a candidate for the unexpired term of office will be elected by the membership in accordance with normal procedures.
- 5.5 The duties of the President are to coordinate the ARTS Awards processes, maintain the records of the SIG, organize the annual business meeting, communicate directly with the membership concerning SIG business, prepare for upcoming elections when required, liaise with the President of CACS, and attend Executive meetings of CACS.
- 5.6 The duties of the Vice-President and Programme Chair are to assist the President in the operations of the SIG, collect abstracts for the annual conference, organize a blind review of these abstracts, inform researchers of the outcome, recommend a schedule of accepted presentations to CSSE, and liase with the Publications Chair of CACS.
- 5.7 That the duties of the Past-President are to assist the President and the Vice-President and Programme Chair with the operations of the SIG.

6.0 Languages

6.1 The official languages of the SIG are English and French.

7.0 Regulations

7.1 The SIG shall be subject to the By-laws and Regulations established by the Canadian Society for the Study of Education/Societé canadienne pour l'éduce de l'éducation.

8.0 Amendments

- 8.1 Amendments to this Constitution shall be made by a 60% vote of all members in good standing and in attendance at the annual general meeting of the SIG, or responding to an electronic or mailed ballot.
- 8.2 Notice of motion for an amendment to this constitution shall be distributed to all members of the SIG in good standing sixty (60) days before the annual general meeting or, in the case of an electronic or mailed vote, sixty (60) days prior to the last date on which ballots will be accepted.